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| For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR<br>PRIORITIZING AND BALANCING<br>SIMULTANEOUS AUDIO OUTPUTS<br>IN A HANDHELD DEVICE | ) Atty Docket No.:           | 3639.PALM.PSI     |
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT & RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated November 28, 2005, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.

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